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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : PASSIVE NEEDLE GUARD FOR SYRINGES

Docket No. : 706737.4007

Customer No. : 34313

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

1. Type of Application
This new application is for a(n)
☒ Original (non provisional)
☐ Design
☐ Plant
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27
3. ☒ Specification, including Description, Claims and Abstract (Total Page: 63)
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) (Total sheets 29)
5. Oath or Declaration
a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
i. ☐ Deletion of Inventors (Signed statement attached deleting inventors(s) named in the prior application.) See 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 133 (b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

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8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if application, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
- ii. ☐ Paper
- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies
9. ☒ A copy of the original assignment of the invention to Safety Syringes, Inc.
☒ is attached. A separate ☒ "COVERSHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING NEW PATENT APPLICATION" or ☐ FORM PTO 1595 is also attached.
☐ will follow.
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) (Power of Attorney by Assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO 1449 (or PTO/SB/08a)
☐ Copies of citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Non-publication Request under 35 USC 122 (b)(2)(B)(i) (Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent)
17. ☐ Other

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior

Application No. 09/724,657 filed November 28, 2000.

Prior application information:

Examiner: Ann Y. Lam - Group Art Unit: 3763

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. This incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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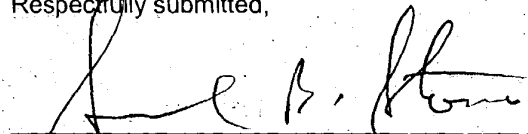
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- C. ☐ This application is being filed without fee or Declaration under 37 CFR §1.53.

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